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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator—William C. MacAdam

Town Clerk—Herman C. Miller.

Selectmen—Frederick H. Thompson, George E. Kunhardt, Jr.,
Charles W. Abbott.

Treasurer—Herman C. Miller

Tax Collector—Eunice E. Patch

Board of Education—Shirley L. Johnes, C. Gladys St. John,
Louis Wiederhold

Auditors—Division of Municipal Auditing, State Tax Com-
mission.

Supervisors—William A. Lord, R. Franklin Mace, Arnold
Ellsworth.

Road Agent—Clayton F. Foote

Overseer of Poor—Paul T. Bradbury

Trustees of Trust Funds—Paul T. Bradbury, Elizabeth P.
Wiederhold, Harold A. Varnum.

Library Trustees—Henry B. Hill, Elizabeth S. Thompson,
Priscilla H. Kunhardt.

Cemetery Commission—Walter A. Creighton, William A. Lord,
Eunice E. Patch.

Fire Wards—Norman J. Stewart, Paul T. Bradbury, Victor
White, Walter A. Creighton, R. Franklin Mace.

Election Officers—C. Gladys St. John, Shirley L. Jones, Gladys
C. Vadney, Orloff W. Miller.

Board of Adjustment—William A. Lord, Francis W. Abbott,
Paul T. Bradbury, Robert F. Caskie, Edward E. Sones.

Chief of Police—Walter D. Creighton.

Special Police—Norman J. Stewart, Royal S. Cleaves.

Civil Defense Director—Paul T. Bradbury.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Francestown in the County of Hillsborough in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Francestown on Tuesday, the 11th day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the budget as submitted by the Selectmen, or make any alterations in the same and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to finance the same as finally adopted.
3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred (\$200.00) dollars, to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for future fire truck replacement, or take any action relating thereto.
4. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to reserve from all available Summer Highway Funds, not less than one thousand five hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars for road maintenance after September 1, inasmuch as they are responsible for the expenditure of money and the discharge of duties of the Highway Agent under the Rev. Laws of the State of New Hampshire, Chap. 96, Sec. 9.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars to repair the roof and doors of the Hearse House in Cemetery No. 3, or take any action relating thereto.
6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners the handling of cemetery appropriated funds in the same manner as other town departments, or take any action relating thereto.
7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to eliminate from future annual reports the section entitled "Detailed Statement of Payments."
8. To see if the Town will vote to have the Selectmen post all property bought for taxes thirty (30) days after such purchase, or take any action relating thereto.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for future highway equipment, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the purchase of a portable forest fire pump, or take any action relating thereto.

11. To see if the Town will vote to place the Stagecoach on loan with A. F. Desgrosielliers of Greenville, N. H. for safe storage and exhibit to the public, with the assurance of its return on reasonable notice for local exhibition, or take any action relating thereto.

12. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to keep separate accounts of the Fire Department Funds. One for the Forestry appropriation and the other for the Town Fire Department appropriation, or take any action relating thereto.

13. To see if the Town will vote to join the New Hampshire Municipal Association, or take any action relating thereto.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty-nine dollars and seventy cents (\$459.70) for the expenses of the building committee appointed by Article 9 of the 1957 Warrant, being the unexpended balance of the sum originally voted, or take any action relating thereto.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand five hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for town buildings, or take any action relating thereto.

16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of razing the present Fire Station and erecting on the site of said Fire Station a new Town Building to house the Town fire equipment and provide office space for Town offices so that said building shall be a combined Fire Station and Town Office Building, and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw all monies from the Town Capital Reserve Fund for Buildings, being the sum of four thousand five hundred (\$4,500.00) and apply same toward the cost of said buildings, and further to see whether the Town will vote to raise the balance of the cost of said building through the issuance of serial notes or bonds on the credit of the Town, and authorize the Selectmen to determine the terms and conditions upon which the said serial notes or bonds shall be issued in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, Revised Laws Annotated, Chap. 33, and any amendments thereto.

17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing a building to house

Town equipment on land of the Town, and to see whether the Town will vote to raise such sums of money through the issuance of serial notes or bonds on the credit of the Town, and authorize the Selectmen to determine the terms and conditions upon which the said serial notes or bonds shall be issued in accordance with Municipal Finance Act, Revised Laws Annotated, Chap. 33, and any amendments thereto.

18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a building committee of five (5) members to act with the Selectmen in the supervision and construction of the buildings voted upon in Articles 16 and 17.

19. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Committee to study further all Town building needs, or take any action relating thereto.

20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes, or take any action relating thereto.

21. To see if the Town will vote to have the State of New Hampshire Municipal Auditing Division audit the Town books, or take any action relating thereto.

22. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen and take action on same.

23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals, this 7th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.

FREDERICK H. THOMPSON
GEORGE E. KUNHARDT, JR.
CHARLES W. ABBOTT
Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

FREDERICK H. THOMPSON
GEORGE E. KUNHARDT, JR.
CHARLES W. ABBOTT
Selectmen of Francestown

RESULTS OF TOWN MEETING

March 12, 1957

Art. 3. \$200.00 raised to be placed in capital reserve fund for future fire truck replacement.

Art. 4. \$1,500.00 raised to be placed in capital reserve fund for town buildings.

Art. 5. Voted as printed.

Art. 6. New Zoning law voted approved.

Art. 7. Voted to accept ownership of Fire equipment.

Art. 8. \$600.00 raised to reshingle the Town Library roof.

Art. 9. Voted that the Moderator appoint a committee of five to make a study of the type of building needed to house the Fire Trucks and Town Equipment; to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars to cover the costs of estimates and preliminary building plans to be submitted with a complete report at the next Town Meeting.

Art. 10. \$1,000.00 raised to be placed in capital reserve fund for the purpose of establishing a new cemetery.

Art. 11. Voted to accept from the Alison Bixby Hill Estate the property adjoining the Town Library.

Art. 12. Voted as printed.

Art. 13. Voted to have State Audit the Town Books.

Art. 14. Voted to accept reports as printed.

Art. 15. Voted that the Selectmen appoint a committee of three to investigate the condition of the shade trees in the village both on private and Town property, and to work with the selectmen, property owners, telephone and electric companies and other sources, in removing and replacing dangerous trees. Said committee to report at the next Town Meeting cost of continuing project which will include cost of new trees.

Voted to have a summary of action taken at each Town Meeting printed in each subsequent Town Report and of each ensuing Town Meeting.

Voted that all subsequent money from sale of cemetery lots be set up in a special fund to be used in the cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted

HERMAN C. MILLER
Town Clerk

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1958. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957.

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1957	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1957	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1958
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$5,729 20	\$5,729 20	\$5,729 20
Savings Bank Tax	38 30	70 03	70 03
For Fighting Forest Fires		34 74	
Reimb. a/c Old Age Asst.		6 84	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	251 80	254 64	254 64
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	20 00	25 50	25 50
Rent of Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	60 00	88 00	88 00
Int. Rec. on Taxes & Deposits	156 39	241 66	241 66
Income from Trust Funds		453 50	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,535 12	3,274 91	3,274 91
Sale of Town Property	350 00	375 00	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Reg. \$2.00	416 00	324 00	416 00
(c) Yield Taxes	2,000 00	907 35	907 35
Head Tax Commission	107 00		
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROP. TAXES	\$11,663 81	\$11,785 37	\$11,007 29

Purposes of Expenditures	Appron's Previous Year 1957	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1957	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1958
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,609 77	\$1,685 42	\$1,685 42
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500 00	1,568 45	1,500 00
Election & Reg. Expenses	87 00	58 45	200 00
Exp. Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	400 00	398 10	500 00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	150 00	147 39	150 00
Fire Department	900 00	1,014 25	1,200 00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees	700 00	200 00	
Insurance	1,325 00	1,199 56	1,300 00
Planning	500 00	40 30	
Civil Defense	225 00	28 40	
Health:			
Vital Statistics	12 00	14 25	12 00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	200 00	151 50	150 00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	8,000 00	8,501 46	8,500 00
Town Maintenance—Winter	3,500 00	3,221 83	3,500 00
Street Lighting	660 96	663 39	663 39
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	600 00	735 09	600 00
Town Road Aid	831 48	831 48	1,012 92
Libraries	2,008 40	2,008 40	1,982 71
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	200 00	6 00	100 00
Old Age Assistance	1,230 05	1,296 55	1,296 55
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Vet. Assoc.	25 00	24 50	25 00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	200 00	925 22	200 00
Unclassified:			
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.	104 00	104 00	102 00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	175 00	172 10	150 00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	125 00	79 79	100 00

Purposes of Expenditures	Approp's Previous Year 1957	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1957	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1958
Payments on Principal of Debt:			
(b) Long Term Notes	2,330 00	2,330 00	1,000 00
(c) Payment to Capital Res. Funds		2,700 00	
County Taxes	5,768 32	5,768 32	5,768 32
School Taxes	24,651 35	28,917 66	28,417 90
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$61,318 33	\$64,871 86	\$60,116 21

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY FOR THE TAX YEAR 1957

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	VALUATION
Lands & bldgs. (exc. of mill bldgs, land & machinery)	\$921,755
Mill bldgs., land & machinery	4,950
Electric Plants	60,000
Mature wood & timber	4,200
Stock in trade	8,790
Boats & launches	300
Horses, asses & mules	29 1,850
Cows	232 25,440
Other neat stock	15 1,465
Sheep and goats	350 7,330
Fowls	3,960 1,925
Gasoline pumps and tanks	550
Portable mills, road building, repairing & well drilling machinery	12,680
Wood, lumber	950
Total gross valuation before exemp. allowed	\$1,052,185
Less: Vet. exemp. & exemp. to blind	28,900
Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$1,023,285
Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$60,000
Amount of property valuation exemp. to vets.	28,900
Number of inventories distributed	355
Number of inventories returned	195
Number of veterans who received property exemp.	29
Number of veterans exemp. from poll tax	52

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

FREDERICK H. THOMPSON
GEORGE E. KUNHARDT, JR.
CHARLES W. ABBOTT

Selectmen

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES
ASSESSED FOR THE TAX YEAR 1957 OF THE TOWN
OF FRANCESTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,609 77	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500 00	
Election & Reg. Exp.	87 00	
Town Hall & bldg. maint.	1,000 00	
Police Department	150 00	
Fire Dept.	\$865 38	
Forest Fires	34 62	
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	900 00	
Civilian Defense	225 00	
Blister Rust—Moth exterm. and care of trees	700 00	
Dump & Garbage Collection	200 00	
Vital Statistics	12 00	
Town Road Aid	831 48	
Town Maintenance		
Summer	8,000 00	
Winter	3,500 00	
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	11,500 00	
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	600 00	
Insurance	1,325	
Street Lighting	660 96	
New Bldgs. & land (Spec.)	500 00	
Libraries	2,008 40	
Old Age Assistance	1,230 05	
Public Relief	200 00	
Memorial Day	25 00	
Cemeteries	200 00	
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.	104 00	
Payment on Debt		
Principal	2,330 00	
Interest	300 00	
		<hr/>
	2,630 00	
County Tax	5,768 32	
School Tax	24,651 35	
Capital Reserve Fund	2,700 00	
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Total Town and School Appropriations		\$61,318 33
Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	5,729 20	
Savings Bank Tax	38 30	
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	2,000 00	

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,535 12	
Dog Licenses	251 80	
Business Licenses and Permits	20 00	
Rent of Town Property & Equipment	60 00	
Int. on Taxes and Inc. from Trust Funds	156 39	
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	350 00	
Head Tax Collected	107 00	
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Total Revenues and Credits		\$11,247 81
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		\$50,070 52
Plus Overlay		281 79
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Net Amount to be raised by Taxation		\$50,352 31
Less: 208 Polls at \$2.00		416 00
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Amount to be raised by property taxes		\$49,936 31
Taxes to be committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes		\$49,936 31
Poll Taxes at \$2.00		416 00
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Total Taxes to be committed		\$50,352 31
Approved by Tax Commission—\$4.88		

FREDERICK H. THOMPSON
GEORGE E. KUNHARDT, JR.
CHARLES W. ABBOTT
Selectmen

TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1937

	Forwarded From 1936	Appro- priations	Receipts and Reim- bursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended	Balances	Overdrafts	Forwarded to 1938
Town Officers' Salaries		\$1,609 77		\$1,609 77	\$1,685 42				\$75 65
Town Officers' Salaries		1,500 00		1,500 00	1,568 45				68 45
Election & Reg. Expenses		87 00		87 00	58 45				
Town Hall & Buildings—Maintenance		400 00		400 00	398 10		\$28 55		
Library Building—Special		600 00		600 00	80 00		1 90		
Police Department		150 00		150 00	147 39		520 00		
Fire Department	\$362 77	900 00	\$34 74	1,297 51	1,014 25		2 61		
Civil Defense		225 00		225 00	28 40		283 26		
Blister Rust—Moth Exterm. & Tree Care		700 00	50	700 50	200 00		196 60		
Dump & Garbage Collection		200 00		200 00	151 50		50		\$500 00
Vital Statistics		12 00		12 00	14 25		48 50	2 25	
Town Road Aid		831 48		831 48	831 48				
Town Maintenance—Summer		8,000 00		8,000 00	8,501 46			501 46	
Town Maintenance—Winter		3,500 00	16 00	3,516 00	3,221 83		294 17		
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.		600 00	600 00	735 09			135 09		
Insurance		1,325 00	34 42	1,359 42	1,199 56		159 86		
Street Lighting		660 96		660 96	663 39			2 43	
New Buildings & Lds. (Sp. Art. 9)		500 00		500 00	40 30		459 70		
Libraries		2,008 40		2,008 40	2,008 40				
Old Age Assistance		1,230 05	6 84	1,236 89	1,296 55				
Public Relief		200 00		200 00	6 00		194 00		
Memorial Day		25 00		25 00	24 50		50		
Cemeteries		200 00	779 97	979 97	925 22		4 75		50 00
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.		104 00		104 00	104 00				

Principal of Debt	2,330 00	2,330 00	2,330 00		
Interest on Debt	300 00	300 00	251 89		
County Tax	5,768 32	5,768 32	5,768 32	48 11	
School Tax	15,917 66	24,651 35	28,917 66		
Capital Reserve Fund		2,700 00	2,700 00		
Overlay		281 79	281 79		
Class V Highways		1,612 69	1,293 22		
Town Construction		3,500 00	3,500 00		
Temporary Loans		14,000 00	14,000 00		
	\$16,280 43	\$61,600 12	\$97,865 71	\$2,562 48	\$1,166 91
			\$84,268 79		\$12,201 35

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1957

ASSETS		
Cash in hands of treasurer		\$10,278 36
Capital Reserve Funds		6,164 11
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1956	\$532 55	
Levy of 1955	447 57	
Previous years	500 96	
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		1,481 08
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1957	8,097 52	
Levy of 1956	12 88	
Levy of 1955	2 00	
State head taxes—Levy of 1957	245 00	
State head taxes—prev. yrs.	10 00	
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		8,367 40
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Total Assets		\$26,290 95

LIABILITIES		
Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Care of Trees	\$500 00	
New Cemetery Fund	50 00	
Due to State:		
State head taxes—1957		
Uncollected	\$245 00	
Collected, not remitted to state treas.	50 00	
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		295 00
Yield Tax		
Uncollected	\$347 27	
Collected, not remitted to state treas.	154 23	
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		501 50
Due to School Districts:		
Bal. of appropriation	11,651 35	
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		12,997 85
Capital Reserve Funds		6,164 11

Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Painting old meeting house	1,000 00
Painting town hall	500 00
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	1,500 00
Total Liabilities	<hr/>
	\$20,661 96
Surplus	5,628 99
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Grand Total	26,290 95

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town Hall, Lands & Bldgs.	\$25,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	500 00
Libraries, Lands & Bldgs.	8,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000 00
Fire Dept., Lands & Bldgs.	2,000 00
Equipment	8,000 00
Highway Dept., Lands & Bldgs.	150 00
Equipment	5,000 00
Schools, Lands & Bldgs.	10,000 00
Equipment	3,500 00
All Lands & Bldgs. acquired through	
Tax Collector's deeds	200 00
200a. Robie land	500 00
1a. Curtis Place & Land	100 00
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Total	\$72,950 00

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

SOUHEGAN NATIONAL BANK, MILFORD, N. H.

2-\$500.00 notes on old meeting house due 1958 and 1959	\$1,000 00
1-\$500.00 note for painting upstairs of town hall due 1958.	500 00
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	\$1,500 00

TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN
Analysis of Change in Financial Condition
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1957

Surplus—Dec. 31, 1957	\$5,628 99	
Surplus—Dec. 31, 1956	105 83	
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Increase in Surplus		\$5,523 16

Analysis of Change

Increases:		
Net Budget Surplus	\$2,993 05	
Yield Tax Reserve Dropped	216 32	
Notes Paid	2,330 00	
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		\$5,539 37
Decrease:		
Tax Liens Transferred to Tax Deeds	16 21	
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Net Increase		\$5,523 16

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

1957

Auto permits: 365 issued		\$3,274 91
Dog licenses: 13 females	\$63 94	
2 kennel	36 50	
84 males and spayed	174 00	
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		\$274 44
Paid out: com. on 99 dogs		19 80
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		254 64
Filing Fees		9 00
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Total Receipts		\$3,538 55

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN C. MILLER
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrant—Levy of 1957

Period February 14 to December 31, 1957

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property taxes	\$49,936 30	
Poll taxes	416 00	
Yield taxes	2,980 05	
	<hr/>	\$53,332 35
Interest collected		5 27
Added poll taxes		4 00
Overpayment		04
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		\$53,341 66

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Remittances to Treasurer:

A/c property taxes	\$43,977 32	
A/c poll taxes	324 00	
A/c yield taxes	907 35	
A/c Interest	5 27	
	<hr/>	\$45,213 94

Abatements:

Property taxes	12 20	
Poll taxes	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 20

Uncollected Taxes—Dec. 31, 1957:

Property taxes	\$5,946 82	
Poll taxes	78 00	
Yield taxes	2,072 70	
	<hr/>	\$8,097 52
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		\$53,341 66

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS—LEVIES OF PRIOR YEARS
Period February 14 to December 31, 1957

DR.	1956	1955	1954	Levies of 1953	1952	1951	1950
Uncollected Taxes—Recom. to Col. Feb. 14, 1957:							
Property Taxes	\$3,907 10		\$85 20	\$3 56	\$4 14		\$23 40
Poll Taxes	94 00	\$2 00	2 00	2 00	4 00	\$2 00	
Yield Taxes	28 88			175 00	66 00		
Added Taxes:							
Poll Taxes	6 00						
Interest Collected	114 10						
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	\$4,150 08	\$2 00	\$87 20	\$180 56	\$74 14	\$2 00	\$23 40
CR.							
Remittances to Treasurer:							
A/c Property Taxes	\$3,872 06						\$23 40
A/c Poll Taxes	72 00			\$2 00		\$2 00	
A/c Yield Taxes	18 00						
A/c Interest	114 10						
Abatements:							
Property Taxes	35 04		\$85 20	3 56	\$4 14		
Poll Taxes	26 00		2 00		4 00		
Yield Taxes				175 00	66 00		

Unredeemed Taxes—
Dec. 31, 1957

	532	55	447	57	500	96									
	\$532	55	\$727	08	\$685	76	\$32	48	\$10	88	\$11	81	\$18	19	\$19 75

SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANTS

Period February 14 to December 31, 1957

DR.	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951
Uncollected Head Tax; Recommitted to Col. Feb. 14, 1957							
Head Taxes Com. to Collector	\$1,300 00	\$245 00	\$20 00	\$25 00	\$10 00	\$20 00	\$5 00
Added Head Taxes	5 00	15 00			5 00	5 00	
Penalties Collected	5 00	19 50	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 50	50
	<u>\$1,310 00</u>	<u>\$279 50</u>	<u>\$21 00</u>	<u>\$26 50</u>	<u>\$16 00</u>	<u>\$26 50</u>	<u>\$5 50</u>

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Remittances to Treasurer:									
A/c Head Taxes	\$995 00	\$200 00	\$10 00	\$15 00	\$10 00	\$15 00	\$5 00		
A/c Penalties	5 00	19 50	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 50	50		
Abatements	65 00	55 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	10 00			
Uncol. Head Taxes—Dec. 31, 1957	245 00	5 00	5 00						
	<u>\$1,310 00</u>	<u>\$279 50</u>	<u>\$21 00</u>	<u>\$26 50</u>	<u>\$16 00</u>	<u>\$26 50</u>	<u>\$5 50</u>		

Respectfully submitted

EUNICE E. PATCH
Tax Collector

FINANCIAL REPORT OF TREASURER
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1957

Balance in treasury Jan. 1, 1957 \$12,977 56

Rodney G. Mills, Tax Collector:

1954 tax sales redeemed	\$203 05
1955 tax sales redeemed	102 23
1955 poll tax	4 00
1955 property tax	87 35
1956 poll tax	14 00
1956 property tax	1,177 08
1956 interest	2 52
1956 head tax & penalties	44 00

\$1,634 23

Selectmen:

1956 poll tax	6 00
1956 property tax	90 00
1956 interest	1 04
1956 head tax & penalties	22 00

\$119 04

Eunice E. Patch, Tax Collector:

1948 tax sales redeemed	\$19 75
1950 property tax	25 40
1951 head tax & penalty	5 50
1952 head tax & penalties	11 00
1952 additional taxes	5 50
1953 poll tax	2 00
1953 head tax & penalties	5 50
1953 additional taxes	5 50
1953 tax sales redeemed	29 28
1953 interest & cost after sale	3 20
1954 head tax & penalties	16 50
1954 tax sales redeemed	95 72
1954 interest & cost after sale	74 56
1955 head tax & penalties	11 00
1955 tax sales redeemed	192 49
1955 interest & cost after sale	13 14

\$516 04

1956 poll tax	\$68 00
1956 property tax	3,960 66
1956 interest	113 06
1956 head tax & penalties	203 00
1956 yield taxes	18 00

\$4,362 72

1957 poll tax	\$324 00	
1957 property tax	43,977 32	
1957 interest	5 27	
1957 head tax & penalties	1,000 00	
1957 yield taxes	905 73	
	<hr/>	\$46,212 32

Herman C. Miller, Clerk:

Auto permits	\$3,274 91	
Dog taxes	254 64	
Filing fees	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,538 55

Loans:

Souhegan National Bank (short term)		\$14,000 00
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Rentals:

Town hall	\$78 00	
Horsesheds	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$88 00

Trust Funds:

Estate of Pearl M. Gorman		\$500 00
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Timber Tax (Security)

Mary Caskie	\$1 62	
Willard Archibald	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$76 62

State Treasurer:

Savings Bank tax	\$70 03	
Forest fire warden service	21 19	
Recovery old age assistance	6 84	
Class V highways	1,612 69	
Interest & dividends tax	5,729 20	
Forest fire	13 55	
Refund white pine blister rust fund	50	
	<hr/>	\$7,454 00

Unclassified:

Selectmen, pistol permits	\$2 50	
Building permits	14 00	
Donough Prince, culverts	200 00	
Estate of Rodney G. Mills, cemetery equipment	225 00	
Charles Hale, care of cemetery lot	22 00	
Jesse Woodbury, care of cem. lot	16 22	
Ann Bryant, work in cemetery	13 25	

Trustees of Trust Funds,		
cemetery trust funds	453	50
T. Dana Hill, 2 cemetery lots	50	00
Louis Wiederhold, desks from		
town hall	3	00
Alice D. Worcester, road fund	3,500	00
Francis W. Abbott, sale of town land	50	00
James C. Wescom, sale of Brock land	300	00
R. Franklin Mace, sale of Putnam ld.	25	00
Frank Kendall, sale of chloride	6	00
Souhegan National Bank,		
cancelled check No. 383	7	15
Chester Dutton, sale of Planet, Jr.		
mower	38	25
Stuart F. Clark, ref. on ins.	34	42
E. Linwood Davis, sale of chloride	10	00
		\$4,970 29
Total Receipts		\$96,449 37
Total Payments		86,171 01
Balance in treasury, Dec. 31, 1957		\$10,278 36

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN C. MILLER
Treasurer

CLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1957

RECEIPTS:

From Local Taxes:

Current Year:

Property taxes	\$43,977 32
Poll taxes	324 00
Yield taxes	907 35
Head taxes	995 00

\$46,203 67

Prior Years:

Property taxes	\$5,338 49
Poll taxes	96 00
Yield taxes	18 00
Head taxes	300 00

\$5,752 49

Interest on taxes	\$241 66
Head tax penalties	34 50
Tax sales redeemed	613 65

\$889 81

\$52,845 97

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest & dividends tax	\$5,729 20
Savings Bank tax—1956	38 30
Savings Bank tax—1957	31 73
Class V highways	1,612 69
Fighting forest fires	34 74
Reimbursement A/c old age asst.	6 84
Refund—blister rust	50

\$7,454 00

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	\$254 64
Motor Vehicle permit fees	3,274 91
Business licenses, permits & filing fees	25 50
Rent of town property	88 00
Income from trust funds	453 50

\$4,096 55

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans	\$14,000 00	
New trust funds	500 00	
Gift for road	3,500 00	
Sale of cemetery lots	50 00	
Sale of town property	616 25	
Yield tax deposit	75 00	
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		\$18,781 25

Appropriation Credits:

Insurance	\$34 42	
Cemeteries	276 47	
Highway dept.—winter	16 00	
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		\$326 89
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		\$19,068 14

Total Receipts From All Sources	\$83,464 66
Balance, Dec. 31, 1956	\$12,977 56
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Grand Total	\$96,442 22
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EXPENDITURES:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,685 42	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,568 45	
Election & Registration	58 45	
Town Hall—Maintenance	398 10	
Library Building	80 00	
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		\$3,790 42

Protection of Persons & Property:

Police Department	\$147 39	
Fire Department	1,014 25	
Insurance	1,199 56	
Blister Rust & Care of Trees	200 00	
Civil Defense	28 40	
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		\$2,589 60

Health:

Town Dump	\$151 50	
Vital Statistics	14 25	
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		\$165 75

Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance—Summer	\$8,501 46	
Town Maintenance—Winter	3,221 83	
Town Road Aid	831 48	
Street Lighting	663 39	
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	735 09	
Class V Highways	1,293 22	
	<hr/>	\$15,246 47
Library:		
Bixby Memorial Library		\$2,008 40
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance	\$1,296 55	
Town Poor	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,302 55
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day		\$24 50
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries		\$925 22
Unclassified:		
Payment to State a/c Yield Tax		
Debt Retirement	\$187 73	
Advertising & Reg. Assoc.	104 00	
Taxes Bought by Town	532 55	
Refund—Motor Veh. Permit Fee	59 50	
Refund—Yield Tax Deposits	75 00	
Building Committee	40 30	
	<hr/>	\$999 08
Interest:		
On Temporary Loans	\$172 10	
On Long Term Notes	79 79	
	<hr/>	\$251 89
Outlay for New Const. & Permanent Improvements:		
Town Construction		\$3,500 00
Indebtedness:		
Temporary Loans	\$14,000 00	
Long Term Notes	2,330 00	
Payments to Capital Res. Fd.	2,700 00	
Payments to Trustees of Trust Funds (New Funds)	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$19,530 00

Payments to Other Gov. Div.:		
State Head Taxes:		
1956 Levy	\$289 00	
1957 Levy	855 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,144 00
County Taxes		\$5,768 32
School District:		
1955-56 Appropriation	\$15,917 66	
1956-57 Appropriation	13,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$28,917 66
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		\$35,829 98
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Total Payments For All Purposes		\$86,163 86
Balance, Dec. 31, 1957		10,278 36
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Grand Total		\$96,442 22

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

1. TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES		
Frederick H. Thompson, selectman	\$270 00	
George E. Kunhardt, Jr., selectman	270 00	
Charles W. Abbott, selectman	270 00	
Herman C. Miller, town clerk & treasurer	150 00	
Herman C. Miller, auto permits	182 50	
Eunice E. Patch, tax collector, warrant of 1956	44 50	
warrant of 1957	462 42	
Paul T. Bradbury, overseer of poor	36 00	
		\$1,685 42
2. TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES:		
Assoc. of N.H. Assessors, 1957 dues	\$3 00	
Herman C. Miller, post. & sup.	21 98	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	10 92	
Transcript Printing Co., 400 town reports	478 15	
Charles W. Abbott, post, tel., exp.	36 98	
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	18 89	
Spaulding Moss Co., map of town roads	16 80	
Ted's Letter Service, printing	8 90	
F. H. Colburn Co., post. & rent of offices	366 90	
Chases, office equipment	115 13	
Stuart Clark, town officers bonds	100 04	
Charles R. Hardy, dues to clerk's assoc.	3 00	
George E. Kunhardt, Jr., cash paid for sup., running town lines	21 66	
Eunice E. Patch, exp. to Keene, and Nashua	61 82	
E. Edward Bourassa, rec. estate	50	
Donat Corriveau, rec. mort. & deeds	30 62	
State of N. H., auditing town records	163 84	
Ida M. Horner, col. assoc. dues	3 00	
Kenneth Brighton, drawing deeds	23 25	
Manchester Nat. Bk., rent on deposit box	7 15	
Tiffany & Osborne, legal fees	54 65	
Paul T. Bradbury, zoning exp.	4 16	
Congleton Typewriter Ex., repairs to adding machine	1 50	
Frederick H. Thompson, running town lines	15 00	
		\$1,568 45

3. ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Gunnar Printing, ballots	\$21 75
William C. MacAdam, moderator	6 00
R. F. Mace, supervisor	10 00
Edson Eastman, check lists	70
Arnold Ellsworth, supervisor	10 00
William A. Lord, supervisor	10 00

\$58 45

4. TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS:

Public Service Co., elect. for hall	\$63 75
F. H. Colburn Co., supplies	2 50
Edgar O. Moran, labor on common	21 00
George E. Kunhardt, Jr., trucking wood	6 60
Franeestown Elec. & Water Co., water bill for 1956-57	30 00
Floyd Cornwell, trucking wood	17 75
Wayne Robinson, care of common	160 60
Larry Abbot, care of common	44 50
Harry Putnam, sawing wood	19 25
N.H. Dept. of Agric., testing town scales	5 00
J. B. Vallaincourt, gas for kitchen	14 15
Norman J. Stewart, care of town clock	13 00

\$398 10

5. POLICE:

Sim's Press, police summons	\$9 20
Norman J. Stewart, police duty	36 68
Walter Creighton, police duty	87 48
Fire Dept. reimb. for raincoats	13 98

\$147 39

6. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Paul T. Bradbury, treasurer	\$865 38
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7. FOREST FIRES:

Victor L. White, fire warden	\$44 39
Francis W. Abbott, fire warden	104 48

\$149 87

8. INSURANCE:

Stuart F. Clark, policy coverage	\$1,199 56
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9. BLISTER RUST AND CARE OF TREES:

William H. Messick, Jr., state forester	\$200 00
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10. CIVIL DEFENSE		
State of N. H., supplies		\$23 45
11. TOWN DUMP		
Mary E. Cilley, care of dump	\$99 00	
Harold A. Varnum, bulldozing	52 50	
	<hr/>	\$151 50
12. VITAL STATISTICS		
Herman C. Miller, recording		\$14 25
13. HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES:		
Clayton Foote, payrolls—Summer	\$8,501 46	
Clayton Foote, payrolls—Winter	3,221 83	
Clayton Foote, payrolls		
class V highway aid	1,293 22	
Town Road Aid, State of N. H.	831 48	
Town road Aid Mrs. Alice		
Worcester special, State of N. H.	3,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$17,347 99
14. STREET LIGHTING		
Public Service Co. of N. H.		\$663 39
15. GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:		
Rice's, Inc., tire for little grader	\$15 59	
Sim's Press, mud signs	19 25	
Ray Road Equipt., sup. & culverts	343 45	
Cassellini Venable Corp.,		
grader blade extension	28 74	
Sidney Livingston, bridge plank	313 06	
Varnum Brothers, trucking		
bridge stringers	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$735 09
16. LIBRARIES:		
George Holmes Bixby Memorial		
Library Trustees		\$2,008 40
17. OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		
Treas., state of N. H.		\$1,296 55
18. TOWN POOR		
F. H. Colburn Co., sup. for		
E. E. Johnson		\$6 00
19. MEMORIAL DAY		
Catherine Hickey, flags		\$24 50

20. CEMETERIES:

Public Service Co., electricity	\$21 45
J. J. Moreau & Son, supplies	59 97
E. C. & W. L. Hopkins, supplies	27 48
Charles E. Mann, supplies	8 00
L. H. Vadney, supplies	3 00
Derby's, Inc., supplies	3 49
Jerry Abbott, labor	6 50
W. A. Lord, labor	40 00
Richard Cilley, labor	8 75
Carl Swenson, labor	154 50
Bruce York, labor	65 00
Gregory Robinson, labor	50 00
Edgar Morin, labor	83 30
W. A. Creighton, Jr., labor	230 40
W. A. Creghton, Sr., labor	163 38

\$925 22

21. REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

Monadnock Regional Assoc.

\$104 00

22. TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

E. E. Patch, collector

\$532 55

23. ABATEMENTS:

Varnum Bros.

\$59 50

24. NEW TRUSTS FUNDS

P. T. Bradbury, trustee

\$500 00

25. SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:

Building committee

\$40 30

Library roof repair

80 00

26. INTEREST:

Long term notes

79 79

Short term notes

172 10

\$120 30

27. INDEBTEDNESS:

Temporary loans

\$14,000 00

Long term notes

2,330 00

Capital Reserve

2,700 00

\$251 89

\$19,030 00

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS:

State of N. H., yield tax

\$187 73

State of N. H., head tax

1,144 00

\$1,331 73

County tax

\$5,768 32

School District

\$28,917 66

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Summer Highway Maintenance:

Labor	\$2,095 38
Equipment rental	2,149 65
Bridge stringers	475 45
Gas & Diesel oil	43 25
Repairs	89 69
Supplies, signs, culverts	70 48
Road oil	3,284 86
Gravel	303 00

\$8,512 46

Winter Highway Maintenance:

Labor	\$1,371 15
Equipment rental	848 15
Repairs	336 59
Supplies	227 46
Salt	107 20
Sand	15 00
Snow fence	300 48

\$3,206 03

Gas Money:

Labor	\$877 10
Equipment rental	279 50
Supplies	56 66
Culverts	88 06

\$1,301 32

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Board of Selectmen
Francestown, N. H.

January 2, 1958

Gentlemen:

The Fire Wards hereby submit their report for the year 1957.

The cost of operation of the dept. was moderate and once again we were able to return part of the Town Appropriation.

It was our intention to purchase a new portable pump, the funds to come from the general operating budget. However due to unexpected emergency repairs to the motor of the G.M.C. Tanker, we were unable to acquire this pump. It is expected to be possible in 1958.

We again call the public's attention to the physical condition of the fire station. Deterioration continues both outside and inside of the building. The ceiling of the second floor is falling by sections and the outside walls are farther out of line. We believe it should be replaced as a matter of safety alone.

The apparatus and equipment is in reasonably good condition considering the limited budget.

Civil Defense equipment is either carried in the trucks or stored in the station.

For the second year we were fortunate in having NO LOSS by fire of structures. It is quite apparent that the inhabitants of the town are practicing fire prevention to everyone's advantage.

The Volunteer Fire Company continues to use its funds for the benefit of the Dept., and has again matched town funds for truck replacement.

We appreciate the help and assistance of the townspeople and town depts during the year..

NORMAN J. STEWART
VICTOR L. WHITE
WALTER A. CREIGHTON
HAROLD A. VARNUM
PAUL T. BRADBURY

Fire Wards

Remember — forest fire prevention is everybody's business and our most important undertaking.

1957 Forest Fire record for your town:

Number of fires 1 Acreage burned 5
Number of permits issued 45

WINTHROP HANAFORD
District Fire Chief

FRANCIS W. ABBOTT
Forest Fire Warden

Remember —

"DON'T GIVE FIRE A PLACE TO START"

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1957

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1957	\$246 62
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Income:

Town appropriation	\$865 38	
Phone booth bonus	12 19	
Services	15 00	
Supplies sold	5 70	
Reimb. Police Dept. materials purch.	13 98	
		\$912 25
		\$1,158 87

Expenditures:

Power	\$90 33	
N. E. Tel. & Tel., red phone system	263 66	
Supplies & material	138 48	
Fuel	170 40	
Repairs to equipment	128 38	
Pub. & Assoc. dues	17 00	
Stamps, stationery & supplies	6 26	
Services, labor	19 00	
Heating, equipt. maint.	13 85	
Lumber	24 12	
Equipment	77 00	
Gas & oil	75 36	
Printing	5 00	
Bank service charges	10 76	
Tel. Co., overcharge	20	
Misc.	50	
		\$989 90
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1957		\$168 97
		\$1,158 87

BUDGET OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Power	\$90 00	
Tel. & Tel., red phone system	270 00	
Supplies & material	140 00	
Fuel	200 00	
Repairs to equipment	75 00	
Labor	20 00	
Equipment	150 00	
Gas & oil	25 00	
Misc.	25 00	
Bank service charge	10 00	
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Total Operating Budget		\$1,005 00
Hose		\$200 00
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		\$1,205 00
Less:		
Unexpended balance 1957		\$168 97
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		\$1,036 03

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

On July 13, 1957 The Francestown Village Improvement Society sponsored a tour of Francestown homes. The Historical Rooms at the Library were open and tea was served in The Old Meeting House. Those who graciously opened their homes were: Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Prest, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Thompson, Mrs. and Mrs. Roger Clark, The Reverend and Mrs. William Rice and Miss Margery Foster. Mrs. Curtis Prest and Mrs. Louis Wiederhold were chairmen of this very successful day.

A square dance was held that evening in the Town Hall.

One thousand dollars was allocated for repairs on the dam at the north end of the Village. This dam creates a water hole for fire protection and a fishing and skating area for recreation.

The Society provided funds for the spraying of trees on town property, and cared for the planting around the War Memorial and the Town Hall. Funds were provided to send a Francestown boy to Boy's State.

The Society maintains Veterans' Field, the Historical Rooms, the raft on Scobie Pond, provides a lighted Christmas tree for the Village Green and makes contributions to the Christmas party and to the library.

Our very successful Labor Day celebrations provide the funds for all of the projects undertaken by the Improvement Society.

The following officers were elected at the Annual Meeting: President, Mrs. William MacAdam; vice president, Dr. Louis Wiederhold; secretary, Mrs. Murray Boyle; treasurer, Mr. Robert Cutter.

May I thank all of you who have worked with me through the years. It has been a pleasant and rewarding experience to serve as President of the Francestown Village Improvement Society.

GRACE G. EVANS
President

GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

BUDGET — TOWN ACCOUNT

	1957 Expenditures	1958 Budget
Salaries	\$600 00	\$600 00
Grounds care & janitor	74 50	75 00
Cleaning	87 39	90 00
Fuel	204 35	225 00
Magazines	71 73	70 00
Books	614 09	600 00
Supplies & petty cash	30 41	60 00
New equipment & repairs	284 44	275 00
Lights		35 00
Bank charges	9 80	10 00
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	\$1,976 71	\$2,040 00

FINANCIAL REPORT, 1957

Receipts:

Bal. on hand, Jan. 1, 1957	\$25 60	
Reimb. of light bill 4-23-57	12 28	
Town appropriation	2,008 40	
	<hr/>	\$2,046 28

Expenditures:

Town account expenditures	\$1,976 71	
Light bill	12 28	
Bal. on hand, Dec. 31, 1957	57 29	
	<hr/>	\$2,046 28

TRUST FUNDS AND OTHER INCOME ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Bal. on hand, Jan. 1, 1957	\$104 15	
A. B. Hill Fund	46 87	
Manning and Clark Fund	33 32	
Fines	31 24	
Village Improvement Society Fund	36 95	
Labor Day Doll Money	75 00	
M. B. MacInnis Gift	10 00	
Sale of Old Books	20 00	
Library Bridge-Tea	125 05	
	<hr/>	\$482 58

Expenditures:		
Books and magazines	\$453	61
Bank charges	5	60
Balance on hand	23	37
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		\$482 58

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY B. HILL
ELIZABETH S. THOMPSON
PRISCILLA H. KUNHARDT
Trustees

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Dec. 31, 1956 to Dec. 31, 1957

Receipts:		
Fines	\$27	28
From trustees	12	74
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		\$40 02
Payments:		
Fines to trustees	\$27	28
Supplies	12	74
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		\$40 02
Circulation of books and magazines:		
Fiction	2,105	
Non-fiction	2,062	
Juvenile	3,269	
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Total Books		7,436
Magazines		1,203
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Total Circulation		8,639

Magazines subscribed to by the Library:

American Home, Better Homes and Gardens, Good House-keeping, Ladies' Home Journal, Boy's Life, American Girl, Readers' Digest, Popular Science, Popular Mechanics, Saturday Evening Post, Life, Time, National Geographic, Yankee, Antiques, Horn Book, Audubon Magazine, Natural History, Children's Activities, Wee Wisdom.

Gift subscriptions: Our Dumb Animals, from Mrs. Harvey Packer; N. H. Profiles, from Mrs. Lucy Holt Andolina; United Nations Review, from Donn Purvis of Concord.

Books and magazines have been given by the following: Mrs. Lugee, Norman Stewart, Mrs. Frederick Thompson, Mrs. Emma Place, Mrs. Henry B. Hill, Mrs. George Kunhardt, Mrs. Edward Steffian, Mrs. Donough Prince, Mrs. Joseph Ludwig, Richard Moulton, Mrs. M. B. MacInnes, Mrs. Donald Wright, Miss Dorothy McLeod, Carl Freese, the Rev. William B. Rice, Mrs. Richard Leavitt, Miss Ruth McKinlay, Mrs. Mary Manning, Ned Nutting, William Lord, Miss Stephanie Creighton.

From the State Library we borrowed 337 books, and from the Bookmobile 393.

A summer resident gave her usual gift of \$20 for reference books, chiefly on colonial arts, a group of books almost continually in use. Mrs. MacInnes gave a check of \$10 for books; another donor gave \$5 and Mrs. David Howell gave \$15. The card party produced over \$125, and the Doll Fund, collected by the Improvement Society on Labor Day was augmented by the Society for a total gift of \$75.00.

An unusual opportunity came to the Library this year for acquiring part ownership in a group of especially important and expensive books. An anonymous donor placed \$1,000 in what is called the Shieling Trust Fund operated by the State Library to be used as an experiment in cooperative book buying. New Boston, Mason, Greenfield, and Frankestown were the libraries chosen for this adventure, the choice being made on the basis of current activities, town support, and plans for progress. Mrs. Kunhardt and the Librarian attended the exploratory meeting at Milford in March, and all the following meetings which have taken place every few weeks alternately in the chosen towns. We look over new books and ask for any we think we can use, regardless of cost. All four libraries have to agree on each book chosen. We exchange books whenever we meet and they are the permanent property of the four libraries. Each library will house approximately one quarter of the books when purchasing is completed.

In May the annual State Library meetings in Concord were attended by Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Kunhardt, and the Librarian. The latter also attended the regional meetings in Newport in September, and meetings in Concord in the spring relating to the certification of librarians, which is a step in the direction of improving library service, undertaken by the State Library Association.

In January Miss Jane Basset visited the Library with fifteen deaf children from Crotched Mt. Children's Center. In May Mrs. Louis Davis came with a dozen members of the Reading, Mass. Woman's Club to visit the Library and Historical Rooms. A fine old building having been given to the town of Chester, N. H., a committee of Friends of the Library was sent here to see what had been accomplished in transforming the Titus Brown home into the present Library. These visitors, as usual,

went away with enthusiasm, even though we are a long way from being completely renovated and useful.

Mrs. Ruth Woodworth has designed some bookplates for special library books, using the library doorway for the motif.

Our famous Clipper Ship, owned by Mrs. Dana Hill, was in need of repairs and Bruce McAdam provided the necessary professional talent. "She" is now ship-shape.

The library lawn has at last had some attention and the success of the endeavors of Mr. Kunhardt and Mr. William Lord in remaking the lawn was gratifying, especially considering the abnormally dry season, overcome by the persistent watering by Mr. Kunhardt and the generosity of Miss Alice Hall and Miss McKinlay whose well provided the water.

The unusually fine exhibit of children's art work, directed and arranged by William Childs of Milford, was permitted to stay in the library until April. We hope for similar work in this town.

Mrs. Robert Caskie and Mrs. Kunhardt arranged an exhibit of arts and crafts made at the Vacation Church School by the children. This also was much enjoyed. Two children, on their own, have made special contributions: Rip Van Winkle and Miss Hickory are character dolls from famous stories, made by Willis Hadley and Debbie Stewart.

Miss Bertha Marden of Goffstown, shared with us many beautiful things—textiles, potteries, character dolls—which she brought from her recent trip to Guatemala.

Classes in Tole Painting have been held at the Library during the year.

This year's paid assistant at the desk has been Sarah Nazro of the eighth grade.

As usual there have been many visitors during the year and especially on Open House Day in July and on Labor Day, several hundred altogether.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLINE M. LORD
Librarian

TRUST FUNDS

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESCTOWN ON DECEMBER 31, 1957

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	Principal		Income		Balance End Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
			Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Balance End Year	Beginning Year			
1954	Co—Mingled Fund "A" Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	\$5,725 00		\$5,725 00	\$1,015 03	\$231 26	\$301 00	\$945 29
1954	Co—Mingled Fund "B" Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	3,609 28		3,609 28	530 53	136 62	140 75	526 40
1952	Levi Woodbury Fund Education	Savings Bank	1,000 00		1,000 00	34 58	51 91	33 43	52 86
1946	Capital Reserve Fund	Savings Bank	3,400 00	\$2,700 00	6,100 00	64 11	89 78		153 89
1954	George F. Pettie Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00		200 00	10 49	7 14	6 25	11 38
1954	Vesand Blake Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	450 00		450 00	8 65	15 72	1 50	22 87
1956	Minnie P. Newton Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00		100 00		3 40	1 00	2 40
1956	Noble & Nissie Pearson Cemetery Fund	Savings Bank	200 00		200 00		5 15	3 00	2 15
1957	Abbott & Bryant Cemetery Care	Savings Bank		300 00	300 00		4 38		4 38
1957	Moncl-Gorham Desrochers Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	1,025 00		1,025 00		49 98		49 98
1957	Geo. H. Bixby Fund Library	Savings Bank	1,500 00	500 00	2,000 00				
	Geo. H. Bixby Fund Library	Co-op Bank Stock			1,500 00	See Note			

Note: Dividends paid directly to Library Trustees.

ELIZABETH WIEDERHOLD
HAROLD VARNUM
PAUL BRADBURY
Trustees

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire**

January 21, 1958

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Francestown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1957. In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town on December 31, 1957, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER
Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

NORVAL D. LESSELS, Auditor
HUGH J. CASSIDY, Accounting

January 2, 1958

TOWN HISTORY COMMITTEE

Board of Selectmen
Francestown, N. H.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report as treasurer of the Town History Committee.

As of Dec. 31, 1957 the balance in the checking account was \$21.99. This amount was unchanged during the year.

The Savings account figures are as follows.

Bal. on hand Jan. 1, 1957	
Manchester Savings Bank Book	
No. 58758	\$222 23
Interest received 1957	7 27

Total	\$229 50

PAUL T. BRADBURY, Treasurer
Town History Committee

REPORT OF TREE COMMITTEE

At Town Meeting, March 12, 1957, it was voted to have the Selectmen appoint a committee of three to investigate the condition of the shade trees in the village, both on private and town property, and to work with the Selectmen, property owners, telephone and electric companies and other sources, in removing and replacing dangerous trees; said committee to report at next Town Meeting cost of continuing project which will include cost of new trees.

The Committee investigated the shade trees in the village in cooperation with the F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co., represented by Harry F. Melendy of Milford. The recommendations included trimming of dead wood from trees, installing cables, and taking down dead trees. By having this work done in the winter, substantial reduction in cost was obtained. The representatives of the telephone and electric companies inspected the village and offered financial assistance in removing a few trees which interfered with their lines.

Letters were written to all homeowners in the village, stating the work recommended and cost thereof. Numerous replies were obtained so that many private trees will be cared for in addition to those on town land.

The cost of continuing the care of the Town Trees, including replacement, should not exceed \$150 per year.

Respectfully submitted

LOUIS WIEDERHOLD, M.D.

GREGORY G. ROBINSON

JOHN H. UNDERHILL

Tree Committee

REPORT OF THE TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE

To comply with the action called for by Article 9 of the Warrant for Town Meeting held March 12, 1957, the moderator of that meeting appointed a committee consisting of the undersigned to study the type of building needed to house the Fire Trucks and Town Equipment, and to develop preliminary building plans and estimates. The committee herewith submits its report.

1. Responsible opinions having been obtained from three engineers, whose reports are on file, we are agreed that under no circumstances should the present building be adapted, altered, or continued in use as a Fire Station any longer than is necessary. Alteration of the present building to include both the

Fire Trucks and Town Equipment, or even alteration to include only the Fire Trucks is impractical and unsatisfactory, not only because of costs and construction problems involved, but also, and more importantly, because the resulting structure would still be inadequate for the amount of equipment we now have, let alone any greater amount.

2. While we were agreed that the present site was an excellent one, efforts were initiated to obtain another site, in order to avoid the necessity of tearing down the present building. Three other possible sites were agreed upon, the owners were written to, but efforts to obtain another site have, to date, been fruitless. We are therefore agreed that the present site must be used, with the resultant demolition of the present structure.

3. In order to develop the best building for the Town, the Fire Company and the Road Agent were requested to submit in writing their minimum requirements for such a building. With these in hand, we proceeded to draw up among ourselves preliminary plans embodying these ideas.

4. At this point, these plans were submitted to qualified people for an estimate, and it immediately became apparent that the cost of a building large enough to house both sets of equipment was far out of line with what we felt the Town should be asked to spend, both as to initial cost and cost of maintenance and heating.

5. We are therefore agreed that a less expensive method of handling the problem is to build a separate structure to house the Town Equipment on existing Town-owned land, of a simpler nature and of less expensive materials. Such a building, three bays wide, with one bay insulated and with a concrete floor, provision for repair facilities and a space heater, can be built for a sum not in excess of \$5,000.00.

6. Having eliminated the Town Equipment from consideration in the same building as the Fire Trucks, we then proceeded to develop a single-purpose building, with the architectural assistance of Mr. Frank Kendall, whose valuable contributions are hereby most gratefully acknowledged. At this point, in order to obtain structural and engineering specifications for the concrete floor, and to obtain more accurate cost figures, we placed the matter in the hands of Messrs. Tracy & Hildreth, Architects, of Nashua. Their plans will be shown at Town Meeting.

7. Four preliminary estimates on file with the committee, which include all painting and interior finish work, have led us to believe that a new Fire Station can be built for a sum not in excess of \$27,000, plus the architects fee including supervision of 6% (\$1,620), or a total of \$28,620. We believe that the cost of demolition of the present building, without any recapture on salvageable material, will not exceed \$1,500. These two items, plus a sum not to exceed \$5,000 for the Town Equipment building, indicates that the gross cost will not exceed \$35,120.

8. There is already set aside in the capital reserve fund for Town buildings the sum of \$4,500. Furthermore, a saving on the above gross figure can be effected by eliminating certain interior painting and finish items from any contract for the Fire Station. The Fire Company stands ready to do this work on a volunteer basis, and this saving would amount to approximately \$1,000. These two items bring the net amount to be financed by the Town for both buildings down to not more than \$29,620.

If error was to be made, we have attempted to err on the high rather than the low side in considering any estimate, and we believe this to be a realistic figure which can represent a practical ceiling on expense, and when final bids are obtained, it is quite possible that the cost to the Town could be somewhat lower. In that event, the architect's fee, being a percentage of the contract price, would also be proportionally lower.

9. We realize that in any discussion of the following matter, we have exceeded our mandate from the Town as expressed by the article in the Warrant. However, upon inspection and study of the preliminary plans, it became apparent that there would be space available for other purposes. We therefore have made provision for Selectmen's offices in the plans, including a vault for safe and permanent storage of Town records. This appeared to have a bearing on the matter for the following reason. Inclusion of Selectmen's and other Town offices will not alter the cost of the building. The annual rental now paid by the Selectmen is \$360.00. Assuming the town finances the proposed building over 15 years, the total spent for rental during this period will amount to \$5,400.00. If this rental item can be eliminated from annual Town expense by including Selectmen's and other Town offices, this amount can be applied to financing part of the cost of the proposed building. This potential saving convinced us that office space should be considered as part of the plan.

10. At Town Meeting on March 12, 1957, the Town voted a sum not to exceed \$500.00 for the expenses of this committee. An accounting of these monies spent through Dec. 31, 1957 is as follows:

Drafting supplies	\$12 40	
Fee to Mr. Kendall	25 00	
Blueprints	2 90	
Bal. returned to Town	459 70	
	<hr/>	\$500 00

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL T. BRADBURY
DONALD E. HOYT
FRANK F. NAZRO
DONOUGH PRINCE
HAROLD A. VARNUM

CEMETERY COMMISSION REPORT

Although the appropriation for the cemeteries was only \$200 for 1957, \$925 was spent. In addition to the perpetual care funds, \$225 unexpended balance of 1956 trust funds, and \$80 in private funds were spent. Mr. Mills had excluded money for hose and rakes in the 1956 trust funds. These were purchased this year, and nearly \$300 was spent for raking and removing leaves from the three cemeteries. As nothing was done for the past several years this was a major expenditure. It was also necessary to buy additional pipe for relocating the source of water.

In the past \$200 has been appropriated and the balance ranging from \$192 to \$355 in the past 5 years has come from trust funds even though work has not been done on the individual lots. There are no funds for No. 1 cemetery, and the entire cost must come from town appropriations. No. 2 cemetery has adequate funds for its entire cost; less than half the graves in No. 3 have perpetual care funds. The trustees have secured several additional funds this year and hope that the number will be increased for the coming year.

This year only \$200 has been included in the budget and we hope this may be increased to \$300 so that the driveway in the rear of No. 3 may be straightened in order that cars will not be driven across the graves on the upper side.

As it is now, cars are driven in all the lanes and corner stones are uprooted and corner graves driven on. We plan to have a driveway thru the center to the hearse house and then right and left to lanes on either side. If this is done, stakes will be driven in other lanes so that cars will not be driven through. This will make it easier to keep lots in better shape and prevent driving on graves. \$100 has been estimated as the cost. If not all used, the balance will be returned to the town.

We had hoped that an additional \$50 would be appropriated for work on lots of old families where there is no perpetual care, and no descendants are known to the trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. LORD
WALTER A. CREIGHTON
EUNICE E. PATCH

Trustees

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Francess town. N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1957

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child		Name of Father	Maiden Name Mother	Color	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Sex	Condition						
1957									
Mar. 7	Peterborough	C. H. Hardwick, Jr.	M L	1 Carl H. Hardwick	Dorothy A. Hoyt	W	Farmer	Francess town	Francess town
Mar. 17	Peterborough	Davin R. Cilley	M L	3 Richard C. Cilley	Sylvia Fairfield	W	Foreman	Francess town	Harrisville
April 3	Goffstown	Frances L. Foote	F L	3 Lester J. Foote	Sia J. Hilton	W	Packer	Francess town	Hillsboro
April 13	Peterborough	Dean B. Smith	M L	9 Robert J. Smith	Delores V. Roalf	W	Body & Fender Man	London, Vt.	Keene
May 17	Goffstown	Arlene M. Johnson	F L	7 Edward E. Johnson	Marion L. Higgins	W	Laborer	Westmoreland	Milford
June 20	Peterborough	Linda M. Dufield	F L	1 James L. Dufield	Dorothy A. Dutton	W	Grinder	Newport	Grasmere
July 17	Peterborough	Karen S. Ludwig	F L	2 Joseph C. Ludwig	Shirley A. Monoskey	W	Student	Malden, Mass.	Punxsutawney, Pa.
Aug. 12	Peterborough	Romona D. Jones	F L	3 Merle B. Jones, Jr.	Elizabeth M.	W	Foundry Work	Milford	Grasmere
Sept. 28	Peterborough	Hobart D. Kiblin	M L	1 Howard D. Kiblin	Eleanor L. Hoyt	W	Farmer	Deering	Bennington
Nov. 23	Peterborough	Karen E. Foote	F L	2 Clifton F. Foote	Elizabeth S. Champagne	W	F. C. Huyck & Son	Francess town	Francess town
Dec. 30	Peterborough	Brian S. Leavitt	M L	2 Richard F. Leavitt	Lois M. Carl	W	Farm Manager	Newport	Rochester

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1957

Place and Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
1957 March 31	Paul Andrew Riendeau	Wilton	22	Poultry Worker	New Hampshire	Jesse A. Riendeau	Massachusetts	Charles J. Dow
	Violet Barbara Cilley	Francestown	22	Billing Clerk	New Hampshire	Helen F. Lord	Massachusetts	Justice of the Peace
June 15	Carl Eric Ellingson	Francestown	22	Engineer	Iowa	Carl E. Cilley	New Hampshire	Hollis, N. H.
	Jane Basset	Francestown	21		New Hampshire	Mary D. Bailey	New Hampshire	Orloff W. Miller
December 6	Curtis Arthur Wheeler	Francestown	22	Air Force	New Hampshire	Herman E. Ellingson	Iowa	Methodist Minister
	Norma Alice Champagne	Mt. Vernon	20	Inspector	New Hampshire	Louise M. Henriksen	Nebraska	Francestown
						William Basset	New Hampshire	
						Doris A. Cass	New Hampshire	
						Wayne I. Wheeler	New Hampshire	E. M. Jones
						Mary E. Clough	New Hampshire	Ordained Minister
						Norman A. Brown	Massachusetts	Milford
						Mary J. Todd	Vermont	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief
Herman C. Miller, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1937

Date	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Cond.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1937									
Jan. 5	Francestown	Robert Elmore Jellerson	84	Watertown, Mass.	M	W	Accountant	William Jellerson	Mary Ryan
Feb. 5	Francestown	Ora Kimball Foote	70	Hillsboro	F	W	At Home	Unknown	Laura Kimball
Feb. 13	Francestown	Rodney George Mills	79	Deering	M	W	Caretaker	George W. Mills	Louise Foote
April	Manchester	Harry R. Cochrane	69	Francestown	M	W	Ret. Plumber	David Cochrane	Patience Monahan
May 2	Peterborough	Ella M. Rollins	79	New Boston	F	W	Housewife	Martin V.B. Worden	Sophia Curry
June 17	Francestown	Edwin Hamphill Place	76	Milton, Wis.	M	W	Ret. Physician	William F. Place	Alice Dunkan
July 2	Greenfield	Robert C. Udall	56	Everett, Mass.	M	W	Laborer-Farmer	Edward E. Udall	Dora E. Reed
Oct. 1	Peterborough	Fred Abner Pettee	80	Francestown	M	W	Farmer	Oliver B. Pratt	Melvina A. Christy
Oct. 30	Francestown	Clifford Pratt	72	Melrose, Mass.	M	W	Farmer	Daniel Pratt	Martha Lynde
Nov. 22	Concord	Karle Johnson	60	Francestown	M	W	Laborer	George F. Johnson	Carrie Avery
Nov. 29	Francestown	Emma Frances Place	78	Francestown	F	W	Housewife	Thomas Bixby	Addie Morse
Dec. 11	Grafton	Edna Lizzie Duefield	66	Francestown	F	W	At Home	Andrew W. Foote	Lizzie Lowell

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk

SCHOOL REPORT

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator: Mr. Harold Varnum	March 1958
Clerk: Mrs. Eleanor Kiblin	March 1958
Treasurer: Mrs. Eleanor Kiblin	June 1958
Auditor: Mrs. Eleanor Cutter	March 1958

School Board Members

Mrs. Shirley Jones, Chairman	March 1958
Mrs. C. Gladys St. John, Secretary	March 1959
Dr. Louis Wiederhold	March 1960

Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Newell J. Paire, (Resigned Dec. 1, 1957)
Mr. Kenneth A. Sargent (As of December 1, 1957)

Teaching Staff 1957-58

Mr. W. Earle Magoon, Jr., Grades 5, 6, 7, 8
Miss Hazel Clement, Grades 3, 4
Mrs. Martha Colburn, Grades 1, 2
Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards, Music Supervisor

School Nurse

Miss Sybil M. Beatham, R.N.

School Doctor

Louis Wiederhold, M.D.

Truant Officer and Custodian

Mrs. C. Gladys St. John

School Calendar

1957-58:

School opens January 6, 1958, closes February 21.

School opens March 3, closes April 25

School opens May 5, closes June 13.

Holiday: May 30, 1958.

1958-59:

School opens September 3, closes November 26.

School opens December 1, closes December 19.

School opens January 5, 1959, closes February 20.

School opens March 2, closes April 24.

School opens May 4, closes June 12.

Teachers' Convention, October 16-17.

Total number of school days 180

Total number of weeks 36

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of
Francestown qualified to vote in district affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 7th day of March 1958 at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the school district will adopt as its school check-list, the town check-list, provided in RSA 198; 12a, as inserted by laws of 1957, chapter 57; this provision to be effective for the 1959 and subsequent annual district meetings.

10. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for the purpose of providing a soundproof ceiling and fluorescent lighting for the Cafeteria of the Francetown Public School, or take any action relating thereto.

11. To see if the school district will vote to authorize the School Board to appoint a committee of three to continue the study of the proposed Cooperative School and report back at the next school district meeting, or take any action relating thereto.

12. To see if the school district will vote to enter into an exclusive contract with Peterborough High School, paying tuition costs at the state average, for a period of three years, or take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands at said Francetown this 20th day of January 1958.

SHIRLEY L. JONES
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
LOUIS WIEDERHOLD, M.D.
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

SHIRLEY L. JONES
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
LOUIS WIEDERHOLD, M.D.
School Board

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR 1958-59

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1958 and comparative analysis of expenditures.

	Expended 1956-57	Budgeted 1957-58	Estimated Budget 1958-59
A. ADMINISTRATION:			
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$143 64	\$140 60	\$140 60
2. *Sup't. Salary (local share)	432 00	477 90	304 00
3. Tax for State Wide Supervision	162 00	180 00	170 00
4. Salaries of Other Admn. Personnel	270 31	310 60	375 40
5. Supplies and Expenses	377 09	406 49	418 90
B. INSTRUCTION:			
6. Teachers' Salaries	8,955 10	11,780 00	11,800 00
7. Textbooks & Other Inst. Aids	376 28	270 00	370 00
8. Scholars' Supplies	441 49	447 00	457 00
10. Other Instructional Expenses	15 46	87 00	87 00
C. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:			
11. Salary of Janitor	664 43	750 00	750 00
12. Fuel or Heat	425 57	600 00	600 00
13. Water, Light and Other Exp.	422 65	338 00	338 00
D. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:			
14. Repairs and Replacements	603 12	290 00	415 00
E. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:			
15. Health Supervision	319 46	360 00	391 00
16. Transportation	2,466 00	2,670 00	2,750 00
17. Tuition	7,848 61	7,640 00	7,707 00
18. Special Fund Activities	188 67	45 00	45 00
18a. School Lunch and Special Milk	344 40		
F. FIXED CHARGES:			
19. Teacher Retirement	626 30	808 84	597 80
20. Insurance, Bonds & Expenses	266 06	423 23	584 30
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	\$25,348 64	\$28,020 66	\$28,301 00
G. CAPITAL OUTLAY:			
21. Land and New Buildings	1,249 38	450 00	250 00
22. Additions and Improvements	450 00	150 00	
23. New Equipment	36 20		100 00
H. DEBT AND INTEREST:			
25. Payments on Principal	500 00	500 00	1,370 00
26. Payments of Interest	43 75	157 00	107 90
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUIRED TO MEET SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET	\$27,627 97	\$29,277 66	\$30,228 90

27. Payments of "In & Out" Items	172 15		
TOTAL GROSS PAYMENTS	\$27,800 12		
Bal. on Hand June 30, 1957	3,431 93		
GRAND TOTAL	\$31,232 05		
I. INCOME OF DISTRICT:	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED	ESTIMATED
Bal. on Hand June 30, 1956	\$579 32	\$3,181 31	None
School Lunch	344 40		
State Building Aid	100 00	150 00	411 00
Local Taxation	28,917 66		
Tuitions	1,050 00	1,295 00	1,400 00
Other Sources	68 52		
TOTAL NET INCOME	\$31,059 90	\$4,626 31	\$1,811 00
"In and Out" Items Received	172 15		
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	\$31,232 05		
TOTAL ASSESSMENT REQUIRED TO MEET SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET		\$24,651 35	\$28,417 90
*Supervisory Union No. 63 share of Superintendent's Salary \$5,400.00; State Share \$2,500.00.			

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1957

ADMINISTRATION:

1. Salaries of District Officers	\$143 64
2. Supt's. Salary (local share)	432 00
3. Tax for State Wide Supervision	162 00
4. Sal. of other Adm. Personnel	270 31
5. Supplies and Expenses	377 09

INSTRUCTION:

6. Teachers' Salaries	8,955 10
7. Books and other Inst. Aids	376 28
8. Scholars' Supplies	441 49
10. Supplies and other Expenses	15 46

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:

11. Salaries of Custodian	664 43
12. Fuel or Heat	425 57
13. Water, Light, Sup. & Exp.	422 65

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

14. Repairs and Replacements	603 12
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AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:

15. Health Supervision	319 46
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16. Transportation	2,466 00
17. Tuition	7,848 61
18. Special Activities	188 67
18a. School Lunch	344 40

FIXED CHARGES:

19. Retirement	626 30
20. Ins., Treas. Bond & Expenses	266 06

Total Net Current Expenses	\$25,348 64
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CAPITAL OUTLAY:

21. Lands and New Buildings	\$1,249 38
22. Additions and Improvements	450 00
23. New Equipment	36 20

DEBT AND INTEREST:

25. Principal of Debt	500 00
26. Interest on Debt	43 75

Total Net Payments for All Purposes	\$27,627 97
Cash on Hand at end of Year, June 30, 1957	3,431 93

Grand Total Net Payments	\$31,059 90
"In and Out" Items Expended	172 15

Grand Total Gross Payments	\$31,232 05
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RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:

National School Lunch & Special Milk	344 40
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State Aid:

Building Aid	100 00
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Local Taxation:

Current Appropriation	28,917 66
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Other Sources:

Elementary School Tuitions	1,050 00
Rent	23 00
Per Capita Tax Refund	43 27
Insurance Premium Refund	2 25

Total Net Receipts from All Sources	\$30,480 58
Cash on Hand Beginning of Year July 1, 1956	579 32

Grand Total Net Receipts	\$31,059 90
"In and Out" Items received	172 15

Total Gross Receipts from All Sources	\$31,232 05
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BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1957

ASSETS:

Cash on Hand June 30, 1957	\$3,431 93	
Accounts due District	150 00	
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Total Assets		\$3,581 93

LIABILITIES:

Notes Outstanding	\$1,000 00	
Amounts Reserved for Special Purposes:		
Grading	250 62	
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Total Liabilities		\$1,250 62
Surplus		2,331 31
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Grand Total		\$3,581 93

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Notes Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$1,500 00
Payments on Principal of Debt	500 00
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Notes Outstanding at End of Year	\$1,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY L. JONES
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
LOUIS WIDERHOLD
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1956	\$579 32
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$28,917 66
Received from State Treasurer:	
State Funds	143 27
Federal Funds	344 40
Received from Tuitions	1,050 00
Received from all other Sources	197 40
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Total Receipts	\$30,652 78
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$31,232 05

Less School Board Orders Paid	27,800 12
Balance on Hand June 30, 1957	\$3,431 93
Elsie B. Pettee Landscape Fund	\$8 00
(to be administered by the School Board)	

July 5, 1957

ELEANOR L. KIBLIN
District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Francetown, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957 and find them correct in all respects.

July 5, 1957

ELEANOR G. CUTTER
Auditor

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS

ADMINISTRATION:

1. Salaries of District Officers:

Eleanor G. Cutter	\$5 00
Shirley L. Jones	46 92
C. Gladys St. John	29 32
Arnold B. Bailey	29 32
Dr. Louis Widerhold	19 16
Eleanor Kiblin	7 82
Treas., State of N. H.	6 10

\$143 64

2. Superintendent's Salary (local share)

Supervisory Union No. 63	\$432 00
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3. Tax for State Wide Supervision:

Treas. State of N. H.	\$162 00
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4. Salaries of other Adm. Personnel:

Supervisory Union No. 63	256 00
C. Gladys St. John	13 68
Treas. State of N. H.	63

\$270 31

5. Supplies and Expenses:

Supervisory Union No. 63	273 60
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	68 17
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.	23 00
Shirley L. Jones	3 65
Eleanor Kiblin	3 76
Maude Adams	1 25
Dr. Louis Wiederhold	3 66

\$377 09

INSTRUCTION:

6. Teachers' Salaries:

Neil Howard	2,998 00
Hazel Clement	2,740 30
Martha Colburn	1,356 30
Ethelyn G. Edwards	364 60
Nina Abbott	55 00
Supervisory Union No. 63	49 00
Dir. of Internal Revenue	935 57
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	456 33

\$8,955 10

7. Books and other Instr. Aids:

Follett Pub. Co.	160 83
Belwin, Inc.	15 00
Neil Howard	10 00
University of N. H.	60 00
Allyn & Bacon, Inc.	6 84
Noble and Noble, Pub.	1 66
Supervisory Union No. 63	15 82
John C. Winston Co.	26 24
Scott, Foresman & Co.	40 39
Hearne Brothers	39 50

\$376 28

8. Scholars' Supplies:

Ginn & Co.	5 34
The Art Center	13 01
J. E. Davidson	13 25
G. H. Tilden Co.	33 17
Laidlaw Brothers, Inc.	24 54
Pioneer Office Appliance Co.	6 80
Charles E. Merrill Books	21 13
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	87 57
J. L. Hammett Co.	54 24
Silver Burdett Co.	5 38
Henry L. Wolkins Co.	6 65
D. C. Heath Co.	5 34
West Disinfecting Co.	4 19
Beckley-Cardy Co.	3 82
Milton Bradley Co.	50 93
Houghton Mifflin Co.	16 31
Junior Scholastics	12 10
American Education Publications	22 50
Cascade Paper Co.	4 11
Scott, Foresman & Co.	30 59
Supervisory Union No. 63	15 81
Manchester Oxygen Co.	1 20
Continental Press, Inc.	3 51

\$441 49

10. Supplies and Other Expenses:

J. L. Hammett Co.	8 08
Supervisory Union No. 63	3 38
National Council of Eng. Teachers	4 00

\$15 46

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:

11. Salaries of Custodians:

C. Gladys St. John	545 85
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Olive Colburn	15 00
Gene Clark	13 50
Mary Clark	18 50
Treasurer, State of N. H.	25 98
N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service	45 60

\$664 43

12. Fuel and Heat:

Draper Fuel Co.	354 22
Daniels' Garage	71 35

\$425 57

13. Water, Light, Sup. & Exp.:

Public Service Co. of N. H.	175 87
Larry Abbott	25 50
Joslin Hardware Co.	2 62
Supervisory Union No. 63	6 05
Francetown Elec. & Water Co.	30 20
Wilton Plumbing & Heat. Corp.	6 00
A. H. Rice Co., Inc.	13 81
Richard W. Miller	4 96
F. H. Colburn & Co.	8 48
Wilton School District	58 88
Acme Chemical Co.	7 19
West Disinfecting Co.	42 59
Central Paper Products Co.	12 50
Pioneer Mfg. Co.	28 00

\$422 65

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

14. Repairs and Replacements:

Wilton Lumber Co.	123 61
Pioneer Office Appliance Co.	6 94
Roger W. Tuttle	73 78
Robert C. Mackintosh	14 90
Manchester Oxygen Co.	2 22
Joslin Hardware Co.	4 89
Davidson Excavator Co.	25 00
A. C. Atwood	6 40
Supervisory Union No. 63	12 00
L. C. Robbins	319 61
Clark & Harris	13 77

\$603 12

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:

15. Health Supervision:

Sybil Beatham	242 00
Louis Wiederhold, M.D.	58 00

Supervisory Union No. 63	2 41	
N. H. Teachers' Ret'ment System	8 00	
Joslin Hardware Co.	7 95	
Clukay Pharmacy	1 10	
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		\$319 46
16. Transportation:		
Arthur Lord	1,300 00	
Yvonne Creighton	2,466 00	
N.H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service	91 20	
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		\$3,875 20
17. Tuition:		
Peterborough School District	6,430 08	
New Boston School District	600 00	
Hillsborough-Deering Co-op School	248 53	
Brewster Free Academy	570 00	
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		\$7,848 61
18. Special Activities & Special Funds:		
Clark & Harris	38 67	
Donough Prince (P.T.A.)	150 00	
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		\$188 67
18a. School Lunch		\$344 40
FIXED CHARGES:		
19. Retirement:		
N. H. Teachers' Ret'ment System		\$626 30
20. Insurance, Treas. Bonds & Expenses:		
Davis-Clark Ins. Agency	250 18	
N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare	1 00	
N. H. School Board Assoc.	10 00	
Supervisory Union No. 63	4 88	
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		\$266 06
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
21. Land and New Buildings:		
Varnum Brothers		\$1,249 38
22. Additions and Improvements to Bldgs.:		
L. C. Robbins		\$450 00
23. New Equipment:		
Supervisory Union No. 63	26 66	
Neil Howard	6 84	

Joslin Hardware Co.

2 70

\$36 20

DEBT AND INTEREST:

25. Payment on Principal:
Souhegan National Bank

\$500 00

26. Payment of Interest:
Souhegan National Bank

\$43 75

IN AND OUT ITEMS:

Director of Internal Revenue
N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service
Supervisory Union No. 63

79 30
91 35
1 50

\$172 15

Total Gross Payments for All Purposes

\$27,800 12

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY JONES
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
LOUIS WIEDERHOLD

School Board

SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Obligation on Old Loan as of June 30, 1958
Payable at Souhegan National Bank

Date Due	Principal	Interest	Balance
Sept. 1958	\$500 00	\$8 75	None

New Loan \$4,350.00 Dated August 5, 1957
Payable at Souhegan National Bank, Milford, New Hampshire

Date Due	Principal	Interest	Balance
Feb. 5, 1958		\$55 59	\$4,350 00
Aug. 5, 1958	\$870 00	54 68	3,480 00
Feb. 5, 1959		44 47	
Aug. 5, 1959	870 00	43 75	2,610 00
Feb. 5, 1960		33 36	
Aug. 5, 1960	870 00	32 80	1,740 00
Feb. 5, 1961		22 23	
Aug. 5, 1961	870 00	21 88	870 00
Feb. 5, 1962		11 12	
Aug. 5, 1962	870 00	10 94	

REPORT OF SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The summary below covers the receipts, expenditures, and balances of the School Lunch Program at Francestown for the fiscal year 1956-57:

Cash on Hand July 1, 1956		\$55 71
Receipts:		
Lunch Sales—Children	\$1,506 09	
Lunch Sales—Adults	94 60	
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Reimbursements		344 40
Misc. Cash Contributions		58 52
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Total Receipts		\$2,003 61
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Total Available Funds		\$2,059 32
Expenditures:		
Food	\$1,109 23	
Labor	873 00	
All Other	43 09	
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Total Expenditures		\$2,025 32
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Actual Cash Bal. as of June 30, 1957		\$34 00
Estimated value of food on hand as of May 31, 1957		\$40 00

I certify that the above information is true and correct; that the cash balance has been determined by actual count and/or verification of the checkbook balance; and that invoices and other pertinent records as required are on file to substantiate the School Lunch Program transactions.

C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
Manager

STATISTICS ENDING JUNE 30, 1957

ENROLLMENT

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	8	9	11	7					35
Grammar					6	5	7	5	23
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ATTENDING SCHOOLS ELSEWHERE

Peterborough High School	21
New Boston High School	2
Brewster Academy	1
Private Schools outside District	3
Parochial Schools outside District	2

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Total	Tardinesses Per Pupil
Primary	34.37	32.27	93.89	7	.17
Grammar	23.74	21.81	91.87	10	.41
Visits made by Superintendent 36					

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE One Year: Jerry Cilley

STATISTICS FOR FIRST TWENTY WEEKS 1957-58

Census: (Ages 1 day to 18 yrs. incl.) Boys 79; Girls 58; Total	137
Attending Schools in Frankestown	62
Attending Public Schools Outside the District	21
Attending Private Schools Outside the District	3
Attending Parochial Schools Outside the District	2

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	15	10							25
Intermediate			11	10					21
Grammar					6	5	5	8	24
									<hr/> 70

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Primary	24.80	22.80	92.00
Intermediate	21.96	20.37	92.76
Grammar	24.10	22.00	91.80

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND CITIZENS OF FRANCESTOWN:

I respectfully submit my first Annual Report as your Superintendent of Schools.

STAFF AND INSTRUCTION

The Francestown Public School opened this fall with the following staff: Miss Hazel Clement, teacher of grades three and four; Mrs. Martha Colburn, teacher of grades one and two; and Mr. Earl Magoon, Jr., teacher of grades five through eight; Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards, music teacher and supervisor; Miss Sybil M. Beatham, R.N., School Nurse; Dr. Louis Wiederhold, School Doctor; and Mrs. C. Gladys St. John, School Lunch Manager.

With the development during the past school year of an additional classroom, it was possible to employ Mrs. Colburn on a full-time basis, resulting in a marked improvement in the quality of instruction in grades one and two, as well as grades three and four. The comparatively small groups in each of these rooms has made better education possible. In the new room which incidentally is physically one of the finest in the district, the situation is one which still leaves something to be desired, primarily due to the fact that four grades are in one room. Even with the expedient of handling grades five and six as a single group, and grades seven and eight as another, the teacher Mr. Magoon, is still involved in making on the average, a minimum of sixteen different preparations each day. This situation certainly tends to limit, to some extent, the educational opportunities available to the young people of these grades in Francestown. In addition to this, the teaching situation in our State and Nation is so critical that a teacher can select, to a considerable degree, the type of position he or she desires to hold, and in most instances interest would be in the direction of a single graded room. In view of this factor considerable turnover in this position is expected, causing even greater reduction of educational opportunity in these grades. Every change of teacher personnel detracts from the education of children, because of the period of adjustment necessitated on the part of teacher and children. Francestown should look forward to the day when no more than two grades are under the supervision of one teacher.

There are two general solutions to this problem, first is that of providing additional classroom space, or second sending seventh and eighth grade pupils to a Junior High School, either in Peterborough or New Boston, or to a Cooperative School, which is being discussed by interested townspeople. Either of these programs would cost more than is currently being spent for education in Francestown, but the money would buy better education for the Junior High School pupils and also the re-

maining fifth and sixth grade youngsters. Approximate costs of additional classroom space would be about \$4,000 for improvements to the cafeteria, plus \$3,700 for the services of an additional teacher. The additional costs involved in sending youngsters out, would go from about \$5,000 per year for tuition and transportation in 1958-59 to about \$7,500 per year in 1963-64. These estimates are based on attendance at Peterborough where these children could best be absorbed. The exact costs for having these Junior High School pupils attend a new cooperative school would be about the same overall, since transportation costs would be less than those required to Peterborough, but instructional costs might be somewhat higher. Further explanation of these costs were given in last year's report. In either case the educational gain would far outrun the added costs.

It was intended to include in this report some facts and information relating to a Cooperative School. However these facts have been in such a state of flux that no realistic information can be reported. However, within the Town Report will be found a summarization of most recent meetings relative to this matter. The development of a Cooperative School such as is being contemplated should come into being only after very careful study of all facets of the problem.

FINANCE

The School Board's Budget for 1958-59 calls for an appropriation of \$30,228.90, an increase of \$861.24. The major bulk of this increase lies within the payments on the loan authorized at the previous school district meeting. The costs of Capital Outlay have decreased over last year, however the special article for improving the Cafeteria, if passed would add to this item. The passage of this article would bring about several favorable improvements in the school. (1) A sound barrier between both floors, (2) A brighter room, due to the white ceiling and better illumination; (3) Better all round acoustics when the entire downstairs area is being used for programs; and (4) Being able to use either end of the entire downstairs area as a stage.

The estimated income has increased by \$231.68. This is due largely to State Building Aid which is anticipated and tuition from Lyndeborough pupils.

CONCLUSION

The Francestown School Board and I wish to extend our sincere appreciation to Mr. Donough Prince for his generous gift of an electric refrigerator for use in the Cafeteria.

I wish to extend my appreciation to the Francestown School Board and Citizens for their helpfulness, cooperation and assistance in continuing an effective educational program.

KENNETH A. SARGENT
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

1956-1957

This was a year for clinics in the Francestown Public School. The two final clinics of the Salk Polio Vaccine Program were held in October and May with the assistance of the State Health Department Nurse, Mrs. Hazel Somes and the Health and Welfare Committee of the Francestown Grange, from whence came the necessary clerks and nurses to aid in completing the program begun in 1955.

During the first week of April the children were tested for susceptibility to tuberculosis by means of the Patch Test. Mrs. Mildred Aiken, New Hampshire Tuberculosis Nurse, aided in this work and will aid in the follow-up.

In May a dental clinic was held at the office of Dr. Weathers in Peterborough under the sponsorship of the P.T.A. who assisted by providing transportation to the clinic on the two days. Pre-school registration was also held in May and all of the expected pre-school children attended.

I made twenty-one visits to the Public School to carry out the work of the year and weighed and measured the children twice during the year. There was much chicken pox during the beginning of the year, as well as a case of impetigo, athlete's foot, and many colds. I made two home visits to check on the health of the children.

Dr. Wiederhold examined the children during the month of October and found the following defects:

Defective teeth	18
Enlarged tonsils	14
Athlete's foot	1
Heart murmur	1
Wax in ear	1
Overweight	4

I examined the vision of all the children by means of the Snellon Chart and two were referred to an optician. I used the puretone audiometer to screen the children for loss of hearing and found none.

Respectfully submitted,

SYBIL M. BEATHAM, R.N.
School Nurse

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE DEPT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF PUBLIC NEALTH NURSING

Without the co-operation of the School Department, Doctors, Nurses, and Health Committee, the Public Health Nurse could not have done so much Health work in your town.

A Salk Vaccine Clinic was held at the school and shots were given by the physician.

Infants	7
Pre-school	29
School	53
Pre-natals	3
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Totals	92

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the chairman and all those who assisted so generously with the work.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL W. SOMES, R.N.

FIVE-TOWN COOPERATIVE SCHOOL STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Five-town Cooperative School Study Committee respectfully submits its conclusions and recommendations to the School Districts of Antrim, Bennington, Francestown, Greenfield and Hancock, N. H.

These towns constitute a natural geographical, social and economic unit. A centrally located school to serve these communities seems to offer an unusual opportunity to establish a permanent secondary school system in which all would not only share the expense, but more importantly would have a vote in management. The committee, however, considers it unwise for the proposed member towns to initiate petitioning action for the creation of a cooperative school district at the forthcoming district meetings, but it does feel very strongly that the program merits further study and considerations.

The basis for the foregoing statements is as follows:

1. OPERATION: An analysis of conditions and costs made by this committee over the past seven months indicates that a centrally located school, with a high level curriculum approved by the State Department of Education, to serve the projected student population of the five (5) towns for grades 7-12, can be operated at a per pupil cost, including transportation, equal to or less than the state average.

2. SCHOOL PLANT: Based on the recommended curriculum and room requirements to serve adequately a school population of 350 students, a floor plan and cost estimates were drawn up and submitted to the committee by Alfred T. Granger Associates, Architects and Engineers. The committee also selected a promising site in Bennington which is available at a nominal cost. These combined costs, plus interest charges, constitute debt service or building cost. This, in effect, is the "price tag" or added cost that the towns would pay for. It appears to the committee that the present method provided by law for distributing these costs among the towns should be modified in order to arrive at a more favorable apportionment.

3. FINANCE: The accompanying tables show the estimated cost of operation, building, and distribution, based on the present law.

ESTIMATED DISTRIBUTION OF OPERATING BUDGET

Total Operating Budget							
1st year		3rd year		5th year			
\$106,110 00		\$113,235 00		\$120,875 00			
Distribution							
Town	%		%		%		
Antrim	28.1	\$29,816 91	27.4	\$31,026 39	25.9	\$31,306 63	
Bennington	19.2	20,373 12	19.0	21,514 65	19.3	23,328 87	
Francestown	14.6	15,492 06	15.7	17,777 90	17.0	20,548 75	
Greenfield	16.8	17,826 48	17.3	19,589 65	16.1	19,460 88	
Hancock	21.3	22,601 43	20.6	23,326 41	21.7	26,229 87	
Totals	100.0	\$106,110 00	100.0	\$113,235 00	100.0	\$120,875 00	

ESTIMATED DISTRIBUTION OF DEBT SERVICE

Basis:	
Est. total construction loan	\$500,000 00
Est. term	20 years
Est. interest rate	4%
State aid—basis 5 towns	55%

DISTRIBUTION

	1st year	3rd year	5th year
Principal (net of state aid)	\$11,250 00	\$11,250 00	\$11,250 00
Interest	20,000 00	18,000 00	16,000 00
Total	\$31,250 00	\$29,250 00	\$27,250 00

Distribution among towns Equalized Valuation 1956

Town	%			
Antrim	23.6	\$7,375 00	\$6,903 00	\$6,431 00
Bennington	18.4	5,750 00	5,382 00	5,014 00
Francestown	16.8	5,250 00	4,914 00	4,578 00
Greenfield	15.7	4,906 25	4,592 25	4,278 25
Hancock	25.5	7,968 75	7,458 75	6,948 75
Total	100.0	\$31,250 00	\$29,250 00	\$27,250 00
Estimated number of Pupils		280	317	352
Average per Pupil		\$111 61	\$92 27	\$77 41

**EST. COST OF OPERATING AND DEBT SERVICE AS
ALLOCATED TO TOWNS TRANSLATED INTO COST PER PUPIL**

1959					
Debt Service (on equalized valuation)					Hancock
Operating Budget	Antrim	Bennington	Francesstown	Greenfield	\$7,968 75
	\$7,375 00	\$5,750 00	\$5,250 00	\$4,906 25	22,601 43
	29,816 91	20,373 12	15,492 06	17,826 48	
Total	\$37,191 91	\$26,123 12	\$20,742 06	\$22,732 73	\$30,570 18
Estimated No. of Pupils					
Cost per Pupil:	91	56	35	50	48
Debt Service	\$81 04	\$102 67	\$150 00	\$98 12	\$166 02
Operating	327 65	363 81	442 63	356 53	470 86
Total	\$408 69	\$466 48	\$592 63	\$454 65	\$636 88
1961					
Debt Service					
Operating Budget	\$6,903 00	\$5,382 00	\$4,914 00	\$4,592 25	\$7,458 75
	31,026 39	21,514 65	17,777 90	19,589 65	23,326 41
Total	\$37,929 39	\$26,896 65	\$22,691 90	\$24,181 90	\$30,785 16
Estimated No. of Pupils	99	62	46	60	50
Cost per Pupil:					
Debt Service	\$69 73	\$86 81	\$106 83	\$76 54	\$149 17
Operating	313 40	347 01	386 47	326 50	466 53
Total	\$383 13	\$433 82	\$493 30	\$403 04	\$615 70
1963					
Debt Service					
Operating Budget	\$6,431 00	\$5,014 00	\$4,578 00	\$4,278 25	\$6,948 75
	31,306 63	23,328 87	20,548 75	19,460 88	26,229 87
Total	\$37,737 63	\$28,342 87	\$25,126 75	\$23,739 13	\$33,178 62
Estimated No. of Pupils	99	71	61	58	63
Cost per Pupil:					
Debt Service	\$64 96	\$70 62	\$75 05	\$73 76	\$110 30
Operating	316 23	328 57	336 86	335 53	416 85
Total	\$381 19	\$399 19	\$411 91	\$409 29	\$526 65

The committee recommends that the towns at their forthcoming school district meetings appoint three members to serve jointly with three members from each of the other four (4) towns to function as a Committee to:

- a. Give further study to the overall problem.
- b. Observe changes in trends and conditions.
- c. Investigate and promote more favorable legislation relevant to the basis of allocating costs among these five towns.
- d. Report their findings no later than the next school district meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Five-Town Cooperative School Study Committee

LOUIS WIEDERHOLD, M.D.

HAROLD A. VARNUM

FRANCIS W. ABBOTT

(Local members of Study Committee
appointed by Francetown School Board)

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